BEFORE THE INVESTIGATIVE PANEL OF THE FLORIDA JUDICIAL QUALIFICATIONS COMMISSION

INQUIRY CONCERNING A JUDGE, NO. 05-131

AFFIDAVIT OF

STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF PINELLAS

BEFORE ME the undersigned authority, personally appeared who being first by me duly sworn, deposes and says:

- am an attorney licensed to practice law in the State of Florida. My offices are located at I am currently engaged in the private practice of law.
- 2. I have personal knowledge of the information contained in this Affidavit.
- 3. I have been informed that the Judicial Qualifications Commission is making inquiry regarding claimed inappropriate conduct of Judge Brandt C. Downey, III towards me.
- 4. By this Affidavit I wish to inform the Judicial Qualifications Commission that I have no complaint against Judge Brandt C. Downey, III for any conduct.
- I have never felt threatened or harassed by Judge Downey and there
 was no continued course of inappropriate conduct by Judge Downey towards me.

- 6. I have no hesitancy to appear as an attorney in front of Judge Downey as I have found him to be fair, competent and impartial.
- 7. When I was an Assistant State Attorney I viewed Judge Downey as a good judge to appear in front of, during that time I believe that I had lunch with Judge Downey and others at the Courthouse cafeteria.
- 8. The suggestion in the JQC's Notice of Investigation that Judge Downey singled me out for embraces is to me not accurate.
- 9. Judge Downey did invite me to lunch and I declined, he never thereafter invited me again.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NAUGHT.

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SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED before me this <u>3D</u> day of August 2005

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- 5. Moreover, I have never felt threatened, or harassed by Judge Downey's conduct.
- 6. I believe that Judge Downey is a competent, capable and impartial judge, and I have declined his offer to recuse himself from my

cases and have instead requested that he continue to preside over cases as I might have them in front of him in the future.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NAUGHT.



SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED before me this 29th day of August

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Caroline J. Rubio Commission #DD220802 Expires: Jun 08, 2007 Bonded Thru Atlantic Bonding Co., Inc.